

"A certified copy of the satisfaction of any judgment in whole or in part may be registered in like manner in any district in which the judgment is a lien.

"For the purpose of this section only, 'district' as used herein shall include the Territory of Alaska, and 'district court' as used herein shall include the District Court for the Territory of Alaska."

Approved August 23, 1954.

Public Law 634

CHAPTER 838

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on the conservation, development, and utilization of the irrigation and reclamation resources of the Waimanalo, Oahu; Waimea, Island of Hawaii; and Molokai projects, Territory of Hawaii.

August 23, 1954
[H. R. 2843]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of encouraging and promoting the development of the Waimanalo, Oahu; Waimea, Island of Hawaii; and Molokai projects, Territory of Hawaii, the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to make an investigation relating to the conservation, development, and utilization of the irrigation and reclamation resources of the Waimanalo, Oahu; Waimea, Island of Hawaii; and Molokai projects, Territory of Hawaii, and to report thereon, with appropriate recommendations to the President and the Congress.

Hawaii.
Water resources.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 2. Prior to the transmission of any such report on a project to the Congress, the Secretary shall transmit copies thereof for information and comment to the Governor of Hawaii, or to such representative as may be named by him, and to the heads of interested Federal departments and agencies. The written views and recommendations of the aforementioned officials may be submitted to the Secretary within ninety days from the day of receipt of said proposed report. The Secretary may thereafter transmit to the Congress, with such comments and recommendations as he deems appropriate, his report, together with copies of the views and recommendations received from the aforementioned officials. The letter of transmittal and its attachments shall be printed as a House or Senate Document.

Approved August 23, 1954.

Public Law 635

CHAPTER 839

AN ACT

To amend the Canal Zone Code in reference to the survival of things in action.

August 23, 1954
[H. R. 4881]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title 3 of the Canal Zone Code, approved June 19, 1934 (48 Stat. 1122), is amended by adding, in article 2 of chapter 18 thereof, two new sections numbered 373 and 374, respectively, and reading as follows:

Canal Zone.
Survival of things
in action.

"§ 373. Survival of thing in action after death of tortfeasor or other person liable

"No thing in action sounding in tort, arising after the date of enactment of this section, shall be lost because of the death of the tortfeasor

or other person liable. On any such thing in action an action may be brought or continued against the personal representative of the deceased person, but punitive or exemplary damages shall not be awarded nor penalties adjudged in any such action. This section shall extend to a thing in action for wrongfully causing death arising under section 131 of title 4, and an action under said section 131 may be brought or continued against the personal representative of the tortfeasor or other person liable. Where a thing in action arises simultaneously with or after the death of the tortfeasor or other person who would have been liable if his death had not occurred simultaneously with the act, omission, circumstance, or event giving rise to such thing in action, or had not intervened between the wrongful act, omission, circumstances, or event and the coming into being of the thing in action, an action to enforce such thing in action may be maintained against the personal representative of such tortfeasor or other person. Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing the transfer of any thing in action arising out of any tort against the person.

“§ 374. Survival of thing in action after death of person injured

“No thing in action sounding in tort, arising after the date of enactment of this section, shall be lost because of the death of the person in whose favor the thing in action arose. On any such thing in action an action may be brought or continued by the personal representative of the deceased person. The damages recovered in any action under this section shall form a part of the estate of the deceased. No thing in action for damages caused by any injury or wrong to a third person shall be lost because of the death of such third person. If an action be brought for physical injuries to a person, and a separate action be brought for his wrongful death arising out of the same wrongful act, omission, circumstance, or event, such actions shall be consolidated for trial on the motion of any interested party: *Provided, however,* That the award of damages appertaining to physical injuries shall not include prospective profits or earnings after the date of death of the person injured. Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing the transfer of any thing in action arising out of any tort against the person.”

Approved August 23, 1954.

Public Law 636

CHAPTER 840

AN ACT

August 23, 1954
[S.1184]

To authorize relief of authorized certifying officers from exceptions taken to payments pertaining to terminated war agencies in liquidation by the Department of State.

Certain State Department certifying officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Comptroller General of the United States is authorized and directed to allow credit in the accounts of authorized certifying officers of terminated war agencies, in process of liquidation by the Department of State at the time of the enactment of this Act, for the amounts of suspensions and disallowances, which have been, or may be, raised by the General Accounting Office on account of payments made in accordance with vouchers certified by such certifying officers: *Provided,* That the Secretary of State or his authorized representative shall certify that in his opinion there is no evidence of fraud or collusion on the part of the certifying officers in connection with the payments.